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Subject: Re: Please save the date for a technical workshop on estuarine habitat on 27 March 2012 (Tuesday) downtown Sacramento
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I'm pretty flexible today until 3:00. And I may be talking to DWR at 1:30.

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Date: 01/17/2012 08:54 AM
Subject: Re: Please save the date for a technical workshop on estuarine habitat on 27 March 2012 (Tuesday) downtown Sacramento

Thanks for taking the initiative to organize a meeting, Erin.
I could meet from 1:00-2:00 before you leave. Bruce & Karen?

I'm about ready to start receiving guests for the abandoned mine meeting, so I'll be busy with that from 9:00-12:00.
That means I'm open at 12:00, but I'd really like to see the lunchtime speaker on Rep. Jordan that commemorates MLK Day.

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Subject: Re: Please save the date for a technical workshop on estuarine habitat on 27 March 2012 (Tuesday)
downtown Sacramento

Good Morning!

Hope you all had an inspiring 3- or 4-day weekend :). Do any of you have time to discuss a few things the workshop today? Seems like it would be good to check in with everyone on a few items:

1. Response to save-the-date (Bruce's email discussing Wim's decline and his friend's not-so-positive response)
2. How to work with ASC and who does what. I'm trying to update our grant paperwork and just went through the workplan again. Right now the workplan says ASC will contact the scientists for the workshop. The save-the-date is fine but let's just put our heads together and outline what needs to get done and how we'll do it. Sorry, Tim, I didn't get a message to Brock. Thanks for stepping in to do it.

I have a 10:30 today and will be leaving around 2:00 PM. Anyone have some room in their schedule to discuss?

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I work a part time schedule (M 7:30a - 4:00p, T - F 7:30a - 2:00p)

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Hello Dr. Bernstein:

I sent you this "save the date" message last week, but it bounced back from the address I had for you (brockb@west.net).

I'm serving as a primary point-of-contact from EPA for this workshop, so that's why I'm contacting you.

Perhaps Erin forwarded to you the original message, but I know she was having significant computer problems this week, and she and I never had a chance to close the loop. At the risk of upsetting the proper sequence of communications under EPA's contract with ASC, and their subcontract with you, I wanted to make sure you received this "save the date" message before anymore time elapsed. Late this afternoon, I contacted Thomas, and he kindly furnished your sbcglobal address.

As soon as its appropriate to do so, we look forward to discussing with you roles, the draft agenda, preparatory materials, outreach efforts to prospective participants, meeting logistics, etc.

Erin manages that contract with Thomas, and I'll continue to respect that relationship while serving in an organizing role for the workshop.

Best Regards, Tim

----- Forwarded by Tim Vendlinski/R9/USEPA/US on 01/13/2012 04:52 PM -----

Dear old friends and prospective colleagues:

You've been identified as an expert on matters surrounding estuarine habitat for the Bay Delta Estuary, and you're cordially invited to participate in an all-day technical workshop on 27 March 2012 (Tuesday) in downtown Sacramento.

EPA is convening the workshop in partnership with the Aquatic Science Center (ASC), and the goal is to characterize how ecological processes and biological indicators change in response to different locations of the low salinity zone (LSZ) in the Estuary. At the workshop, a technical facilitator will engage ~20 scientists with expertise in estuarine ecology, fisheries, hydrodynamics, modeling, and water resource management.

Please respond to this invitation by 20 January 2012 (Friday) regarding your availability.

If you cannot participate, your seat will not be held for any substitute attendee. While space is at a premium, we will seek to accommodate non-participating observers.

We are sorry that due to severe budget constraints, EPA and ASC cannot compensate you for your time, travel, and lodging.

As you may know, the State Water Resources Control Board will soon initiate the update of Delta flow objectives in its Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary. This presents the scientific community with an important opportunity to inform the Board's regulatory decisions about estuarine habitat standards. As a product of the workshop, the vast amount of scientific research done since 1995 that pertains to the LSZ and estuarine habitat will be reviewed, evaluated, and synthesized into a format that will be useful to the Board.

Feel free to contact me with any concerns or questions.

Thanks so much, Tim

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